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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004 the above-identified patent application, Applicant submits a Petition for Extension of Time, the requisite fee, and the following:

Amendments to the Specification which begin on page 2. Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 5.

Remarks/Arguments which begin on page 12.